



## NEWS FROM CITY HALL

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### **City Manager Makes Offer of Employment for Police Chief Position**

This morning Sanford City Manager Norton Bonaparte sent an offer of employment for the position of Sanford's Police Chief to Cecil E. Smith, Deputy Chief of the Elgin Illinois Police Department. Mr. Bonaparte made the decision to offer the position to Deputy Chief Smith after gathering information from Mayor Jeff Triplett, Sanford City Commissioners, residents of Sanford who attended the Public Community Forum which featured the five (5) finalists along with feedback from the Review Panel and the law enforcement officials who conducted an assessment center exercise with the candidates.

Last week Mr. Bonaparte visited Elgin and met with various community leaders including the mayor, city manager and police chief.

The offer of employment, with an annual salary of \$110,469 is conditional, contingent upon Mr. Smith's acceptance of an employment agreement and the successful completion of a city initiated background check, pre-employment physical and drug screen. At that point, the start date for the new Police Chief will be established.

Attached is a photo of Deputy Chief Cecil E. Smith.

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